

09/617,545

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Art Unit:
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 Toshio ARIYASU et al) Examiner:
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 Appln. No.: Not yet assigned) Washington, D.C.
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 Date Filed: On even date) July 14, 2000
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 For: HEDGEHOG PROTEIN) Atty.'s Docket: Ariyasu=1A
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this application
and prior to any action, please amend as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title (before the heading
"Background of the Invention") insert the following as a new
paragraph: -- This is a division of copending parent
application Serial No. 09/063,778, filed April 22, 1998. ~~✓~~

α' Page 2, line 5, after "direct", insert --research--;
line 7, after "i.e.", delete the comma; after
"protein", insert a comma; delete "are" and insert therefor --
is--;

line 8, delete "expectation" and insert therefor
--demand--.

Page 3, line 5, change delete "cheked" and insert
therefor --checked--;

line 7, after "no", insert --known--; delete
"that he said to know".